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BY COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 619)

# A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act amending provisions in the uniform commercial code
- 2 relating to secured transactions, and including effective
- 3 date provisions.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

- 1 Section 1. Section 554.9102, subsection 1, paragraph g, 2 subparagraph (2), Code 2011, is amended to read as follows: (2) to execute or otherwise adopt a symbol, or encrypt 4 or similarly process a record in whole or in part, with the 5 present intent of the authenticating person to identify the 6 person and adopt or accept a record to adopt or accept a 7 record, to attach to or logically associate with the record an 8 electronic sound, symbol, or process. Sec. 2. Section 554.9102, subsection 1, paragraphs j, ax, 10 and br, Code 2011, are amended to read as follows: j. "Certificate of title" means a certificate of title 12 with respect to which a statute provides for the security 13 interest in question to be indicated on the certificate as 14 a condition or result of the security interest's obtaining 15 priority over the rights of a lien creditor with respect to the 16 collateral. The term includes another record maintained as 17 an alternative to a certificate of title by the governmental 18 unit that issues certificates of title if a statute permits the 19 security interest in question to be indicated on the record 20 as a condition or result of the security interest's obtaining 21 priority over the rights of a lien creditor with respect to the 22 collateral. "Jurisdiction of organization", with respect to a 23 24 registered organization, means the jurisdiction under whose law 25 the organization is formed or organized. "Registered organization" means an organization formed 26 27 or organized solely under the law of a single state or the 28 United States and as to which the state or the United States 29 must maintain a public record showing the organization to have 30 been organized by the filing of a public organic record with, 31 the issuance of a public organic record by, or the enactment 32 of legislation by the state or the United States. The term
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33 includes a business trust that is formed under the law of a
34 single state if a statute of the state governing business
35 trusts requires that the business trust's organic record be

- 1 filed with the state.
- 2 Sec. 3. Section 554.9102, subsection 1, Code 2011, is
- 3 amended by adding the following new paragraph:
- 4 NEW PARAGRAPH. Obp. "Public organic record" means a record
- 5 that is available to the public for inspection and is:
- 6 (1) a record consisting of the record initially filed with
- 7 or issued by a state or the United States to form or organize
- 8 an organization and any record filed with or issued by the
- 9 state or the United States which amends or restates the initial
- 10 record;
- 11 (2) an organic record of a business trust consisting of
- 12 the record initially filed with a state and any record filed
- 13 with the state which amends or restates the initial record, if
- 14 a statute of the state governing business trusts requires that
- 15 the record be filed with the state; or
- 16 (3) a record consisting of legislation enacted by the
- 17 legislature of a state or the Congress of the United States
- 18 which forms or organizes an organization, any record amending
- 19 the legislation, and any record filed with or issued by the
- 20 state or the United States which amends or restates the name of
- 21 the organization.
- Sec. 4. Section 554.9105, Code 2011, is amended to read as
- 23 follows:
- 24 554.9105 Control of electronic chattel paper.
- 25 1. General rule: control of electronic chattel paper. A
- 26 secured party has control of electronic chattel paper if a
- 27 system employed for evidencing the transfer of interests in the
- 28 chattel paper reliably establishes the secured party as the
- 29 person to which the chattel paper was assigned.
- 30 2. Specific facts giving control. A system satisfies
- 31 subsection 1 if the record or records comprising the chattel
- 32 paper are created, stored, and assigned in such a manner that:
- 33 1. a. a single authoritative copy of the record or records
- 34 exists which is unique, identifiable and, except as otherwise
- 35 provided in subsections 4, 5, and 6 paragraphs "d", "e", and

- 1 "f", unalterable;
- 2 2. b. the authoritative copy identifies the secured party
- 3 as the assignee of the record or records;
- 4 3. c. the authoritative copy is communicated to and
- 5 maintained by the secured party or its designated custodian;
- 6 4. copies or revisions amendments that add or change an
- 7 identified assignee of the authoritative copy can be made only
- 8 with the participation consent of the secured party;
- 9 5. e. each copy of the authoritative copy and any copy
- 10 of a copy is readily identifiable as a copy that is not the
- 11 authoritative copy; and
- 12 6. f. any revision amendment of the authoritative copy is
- 13 readily identifiable as an authorized or unauthorized revision.
- 14 Sec. 5. Section 554.9307, subsection 6, paragraph b, Code
- 15 2011, is amended to read as follows:
- 16 b. in the state that the registered organization, branch, or
- 17 agency designates, if the law of the United States authorizes
- 18 the registered organization, branch, or agency to designate its
- 19 state of location, including by designating its main office,
- 20 home office, or other comparable office; or
- Sec. 6. Section 554.9311, subsection 1, paragraphs b and c,
- 22 Code 2011, are amended to read as follows:
- 23 b. any certificate-of-title statute, including as provided
- 24 in chapter 321, covering automobiles, trailers, mobile homes,
- 25 boats, farm tractors, or the like, which provides for a
- 26 security interest to be indicated on the a certificate of title
- 27 as a condition or result of perfection; or
- 28 c. a certificate-of-title statute of another jurisdiction
- 29 which provides for a security interest to be indicated on
- 30 the a certificate of title as a condition or result of the
- 31 security interest's obtaining priority over the rights of a
- 32 lien creditor with respect to the property.
- 33 Sec. 7. Section 554.9316, Code 2011, is amended by adding
- 34 the following new subsections:
- 35 NEW SUBSECTION. 8. Effect on filed financing statement

- 1 of change in governing law. The following rules apply to
- 2 collateral to which a security interest attaches within
- 3 four months after the debtor changes its location to another
- 4 jurisdiction:
- 5 a. A financing statement filed before the change pursuant
- 6 to the law of the jurisdiction designated in section 554.9301,
- 7 subsection 1, or section 554.9305, subsection 3, is effective
- 8 to perfect a security interest in the collateral if the
- 9 financing statement would have been effective to perfect a
- 10 security interest in the collateral had the debtor not changed
- ll its location.
- 12 b. If a security interest perfected by a financing statement
- 13 that is effective under paragraph "a" becomes perfected under
- 14 the law of the other jurisdiction before the earlier of the
- 15 time the financing statement would have become ineffective
- 16 under the law of the jurisdiction designated in section
- 17 554.9301, subsection 1, or section 554.9305, subsection 3, or
- 18 the expiration of the four-month period, it remains perfected
- 19 thereafter. If the security interest does not become perfected
- 20 under the law of the other jurisdiction before the earlier time
- 21 or event, it becomes unperfected and is deemed never to have
- 22 been perfected as against a purchaser of the collateral for
- 23 value.
- 24 NEW SUBSECTION. 9. Effect of change in governing law
- 25 on financing statement filed against original debtor. If a
- 26 financing statement naming an original debtor is filed pursuant
- 27 to the law of the jurisdiction designated in section 554.9301,
- 28 subsection 1, or section 554.9305, subsection 3, and the new
- 29 debtor is located in another jurisdiction, the following rules
- 30 apply:
- 31 a. The financing statement is effective to perfect a
- 32 security interest in collateral acquired by the new debtor
- 33 before, and within four months after, the new debtor becomes
- 34 bound under section 554.9203, subsection 4, if the financing
- 35 statement would have been effective to perfect a security

- 1 interest in the collateral had the collateral been acquired by
- 2 the original debtor.
- 3 b. A security interest perfected by the financing statement
- 4 and which becomes perfected under the law of the other
- 5 jurisdiction before the earlier of the time the financing
- 6 statement would have become ineffective under the law of
- 7 the jurisdiction designated in section 554.9301, subsection
- 8 1, or section 554.9305, subsection 3, or the expiration
- 9 of the four-month period remains perfected thereafter. A
- 10 security interest that is perfected by the financing statement
- 11 but which does not become perfected under the law of the
- 12 other jurisdiction before the earlier time or event becomes
- 13 unperfected and is deemed never to have been perfected as
- 14 against a purchaser of the collateral for value.
- 15 Sec. 8. Section 554.9317, subsections 2 and 4, Code 2011,
- 16 are amended to read as follows:
- 2. Buyers that receive delivery. Except as otherwise
- 18 provided in subsection 5, a buyer, other than a secured
- 19 party, of tangible chattel paper, tangible documents, goods,
- 20 instruments, or a security certificate certificated security
- 21 takes free of a security interest or agricultural lien if the
- 22 buyer gives value and receives delivery of the collateral
- 23 without knowledge of the security interest or agricultural lien
- 24 and before it is perfected.
- 25 4. Licensees and buyers of certain collateral. A licensee of
- 26 a general intangible or a buyer, other than a secured party,
- 27 of accounts, electronic chattel paper, electronic documents,
- 28 general intangibles, or investment property collateral other
- 29 than tangible chattel paper, tangible documents, goods,
- 30 instruments, or a certificated security takes free of a
- 31 security interest if the licensee or buyer gives value without
- 32 knowledge of the security interest and before it is perfected.
- 33 Sec. 9. Section 554.9326, Code 2011, is amended to read as
- 34 follows:
- 35 554.9326 Priority of security interests created by new

# 1 debtor.

- 2 1. Subordination of security interest created by new
- 3 debtor. Subject to subsection 2, a security interest that
- 4 is created by a new debtor which is in collateral in which
- 5 the new debtor has or acquires rights and is perfected solely
- 6 by a filed financing statement that is effective solely
- 7 under section 554.9508 in collateral in which a new debtor
- 8 has or acquires rights would be ineffective to perfect the
- 9 security interest but for the application of section 554.9316,
- 10 subsection 9, paragraph "a", or section 554.9508 is subordinate
- 11 to a security interest in the same collateral which is
- 12 perfected other than by such a filed financing statement that
- 13 is effective solely under section 554.9508.
- 2. Priority under other provisions multiple original
- 15 debtors. The other provisions of this part determine the
- 16 priority among conflicting security interests in the same
- 17 collateral perfected by filed financing statements that are
- 18 effective solely under section 554.9508 described in subsection
- 19 1. However, if the security agreements to which a new debtor
- 20 became bound as debtor were not entered into by the same
- 21 original debtor, the conflicting security interests rank
- 22 according to priority in time of the new debtor's having become
- 23 bound.
- 24 Sec. 10. Section 554.9406, subsection 5, Code 2011, is
- 25 amended to read as follows:
- 26 5. Inapplicability of subsection 4 to certain sales.
- 27 Subsection 4 does not apply to the sale of a payment intangible
- 28 or promissory note, other than a sale pursuant to a disposition
- 29 under section 554.9610 or an acceptance of collateral under
- 30 section 554.9620.
- 31 Sec. 11. Section 554.9408, subsection 2, Code 2011, is
- 32 amended to read as follows:
- 33 2. Applicability of subsection 1 to sales of certain rights
- 34 to payment. Subsection 1 applies to a security interest in
- 35 a payment intangible or promissory note only if the security

- 1 interest arises out of a sale of the payment intangible or
- 2 promissory note, other than a sale pursuant to a disposition
- 3 under section 554.9610 or an acceptance of collateral under
- 4 section 554.9620.
- 5 Sec. 12. Section 554.9502, subsection 3, paragraph c, Code
- 6 2011, is amended to read as follows:
- 7 c. the record satisfies the requirements for a financing
- 8 statement in this section, other than an indication but:
- 9 (1) the record need not indicate that it is to be filed in
- 10 the real property records; and
- 11 (2) the record sufficiently provides the name of a debtor
- 12 who is an individual if it provides the individual name of the
- 13 debtor or the surname and first personal name of the debtor,
- 14 even if the debtor is an individual to whom section 554.9503,
- 15 subsection 1, paragraph "d" applies; and
- 16 Sec. 13. Section 554.9503, subsection 1, paragraphs a
- 17 through d, Code 2011, are amended to read as follows:
- 18 a. except as otherwise provided in paragraph c, if the
- 19 debtor is a registered organization or if the collateral is
- 20 held in a trust that is a registered organization, only if the
- 21 financing statement provides the name of the debtor indicated
- 22 that is stated to be the registered organization's name on
- 23 the public organic record of most recently filed with or
- 24 issued or enacted by the debtor's registered organization's
- 25 jurisdiction of organization which shows the debtor to have
- 26 been organized purports to state, amend, or restate the
- 27 registered organization's name;
- 28 b. subject to subsection 6, if the debtor is a decedent's
- 29 estate collateral is being administered by the personal
- 30 representative of a decedent, only if the financing statement
- 31 provides, as the name of the debtor, the name of the decedent
- 32 and, in a separate part of the financing statement, indicates
- 33 that the debtor is an estate collateral is being administered
- 34 by a personal representative;
- 35 c. if the debtor is a trust or a trustee acting with respect

- 1 to property held in trust, only if the financing statement
- 2 collateral is held in a trust that is not a registered
- 3 organization, only if the financing statement:
- 4 (1) provides as the name <del>specified for the trust in its</del>
- 5 organic documents or, if no name is specified, provides the
- 6 name of the settlor and additional information sufficient to
- 7 distinguish the debtor from other trusts having one or more of
- 8 the same settlors; and of the debtor:
- 9 (a) if the organic record of the trust specifies a name for
- 10 the trust, the name specified; or
- 11 (b) if the organic record of the trust does not specify a
- 12 name for the trust, the name of the settlor or testator; and
- 13 (2) indicates, in the debtor's name or otherwise, that
- 14 the debtor is a trust or is a trustee acting with respect to
- 15 property held in trust; and in a separate part of the financing
- 16 statement:
- 17 (a) if the name is provided in accordance with subparagraph
- 18 (1), subparagraph division (a), indicates that the collateral
- 19 is held in a trust; or
- 20 (b) if the name is provided in accordance with subparagraph
- 21 (1), subparagraph division (b), provides additional information
- 22 sufficient to distinguish the trust from other trusts having
- 23 one or more of the same settlors or the same testator and
- 24 indicates that the collateral is held in a trust, unless the
- 25 additional information so indicates;
- 26 d. subject to subsection 7, if the debtor is an individual
- 27 to whom this state has issued a driver's license under chapter
- 28 321 that has not expired, only if the financing statement
- 29 provides the name of the individual which is indicated on the
- 30 driver's license;
- 31 e. if the debtor is an individual to whom paragraph "d''"
- 32 does not apply, only if the financing statement provides the
- 33 individual name of the debtor or the surname and first personal
- 34 name of the debtor; and
- 35 f. in other cases:

- 1 (1) if the debtor has a name, only if it the financing
- 2 statement provides the individual or organizational name of the
- 3 debtor; and
- 4 (2) if the debtor does not have a name, only if it provides
- 5 the names of the partners, members, associates, or other
- 6 persons comprising the debtor, in a manner that each name
- 7 provided would be sufficient if the person named were the
- 8 debtor.
- 9 Sec. 14. Section 554.9503, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code
- 10 2011, is amended to read as follows:
- ll b. unless required under subsection 1, paragraph  $\frac{\text{``d''}}{d}$  f'',
- 12 subparagraph (2), names of partners, members, associates, or
- 13 other persons comprising the debtor.
- 14 Sec. 15. Section 554.9503, Code 2011, is amended by adding
- 15 the following new subsections:
- 16 NEW SUBSECTION. 6. Name of decedent. The name of the
- 17 decedent indicated on the order appointing the personal
- 18 representative of the decedent issued by the court having
- 19 jurisdiction over the collateral is sufficient as the "name of
- 20 the decedent under subsection 1, paragraph b.
- 21 NEW SUBSECTION. 7. Multiple driver's licenses. If this
- 22 state has issued to an individual more than one driver's
- 23 license under chapter 321 of a kind described in subsection 1,
- 24 paragraph "d", the one that was issued most recently is the one
- 25 to which subsection 1, paragraph "d" refers.
- 26 NEW SUBSECTION. 8. Definition. In this section, the "name
- 27 of the settlor or testator" means:
- 28 a. if the settlor is a registered organization, the name
- 29 that is stated to be the settlor's name on the public organic
- 30 record most recently filed with or issued or enacted by the
- 31 settlor's jurisdiction of organization which purports to state,
- 32 amend, or restate the settlor's name; or
- 33 b. in other cases, the name of the settlor or testator
- 34 indicated in the trust's organic record.
- 35 Sec. 16. Section 554.9507, subsection 3, Code 2011, is

- 1 amended to read as follows:
- 2 3. Change in debtor's name. If a debtor so changes its the
- 3 name that a filed financing statement provides for a debtor
- 4 becomes insufficient as the name of the debtor under section
- 5 554.9503, subsection 1, so that the financing statement becomes
- 6 seriously misleading under section 554.9506:
- 7 a. the financing statement is effective to perfect a
- 8 security interest in collateral acquired by the debtor before,
- 9 or within four months after, the change filed financing
- 10 statement becomes seriously misleading; and
- ll b. the financing statement is not effective to perfect a
- 12 security interest in collateral acquired by the debtor more
- 13 than four months after the change filed financing statement
- 14 becomes seriously misleading, unless an amendment to the
- 15 financing statement which renders the financing statement not
- 16 seriously misleading is filed within four months after the
- 17 change the financing statement became seriously misleading.
- 18 Sec. 17. Section 554.9515, subsection 6, Code 2011, is
- 19 amended to read as follows:
- 20 6. Transmitting utility financing statement. If a debtor is
- 21 a transmitting utility and a filed initial financing statement
- 22 so indicates, the financing statement is effective until a
- 23 termination statement is filed.
- 24 Sec. 18. Section 554.9516, subsection 2, paragraph c,
- 25 subparagraph (2), unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2011, is amended
- 26 to read as follows:
- in the case of an amendment or correction information
- 28 statement, the record:
- 29 Sec. 19. Section 554.9516, subsection 2, paragraph c,
- 30 subparagraph (3), Code 2011, is amended to read as follows:
- 31 (3) in the case of an initial financing statement that
- 32 provides the name of a debtor identified as an individual or
- 33 an amendment that provides a name of a debtor identified as an
- 34 individual which was not previously provided in the financing
- 35 statement to which the record relates, the record does not

- 1 identify the debtor's <del>last name</del> surname; or
- 2 Sec. 20. Section 554.9516, subsection 2, paragraph e, Code
- 3 2011, is amended to read as follows:
- 4 e. in the case of an initial financing statement or an
- 5 amendment that provides a name of a debtor which was not
- 6 previously provided in the financing statement to which the
- 7 amendment relates, the record does not:
- 8 (1) provide a mailing address for the debtor; or
- 9 (2) indicate whether the name provided as the name of the
- 10 debtor is the name of an individual or an organization; or
- 11 (3) if the financing statement indicates that the debtor is
- 12 an organization, provide:
- 13 (a) a type of organization for the debtor;
- 14 (b) a jurisdiction of organization for the debtor; or
- 15 (c) an organizational identification number for the debtor
- 16 or indicate that the debtor has none;
- Sec. 21. Section 554.9518, Code 2011, is amended to read as
- 18 follows:
- 19 554.9518 Claim concerning inaccurate or wrongfully filed
- 20 record.
- 21 1. Correction statement Statement with respect to record
- 22 indexed under person's name. A person may file in the filing
- 23 office a correction an information statement with respect to
- 24 a record indexed there under the person's name if the person
- 25 believes that the record is inaccurate or was wrongfully filed.
- 26 2. Sufficiency Contents of correction statement under
- 27 subsection 1. A correction An information statement under
- 28 subsection 1 must:
- 29 a. identify the record to which it relates by:
- 30 (1) by the file number assigned to the initial financing
- 31 statement to which the record relates; and
- 32 (2) if the correction statement relates to a record filed
- 33 or recorded in a filing office described in section 554.9501,
- 34 subsection 1, paragraph "a", the date and time that the initial
- 35 financing statement was filed or recorded and the information

- 1 specified in section 554.9502, subsection 2;
- 2 b. indicate that it is a correction an information
- 3 statement; and
- 4 c. provide the basis for the person's belief that the record
- 5 is inaccurate and indicate the manner in which the person
- 6 believes the record should be amended to cure any inaccuracy or
- 7 provide the basis for the person's belief that the record was
- 8 wrongfully filed.
- 9 3. Statement by secured party of record. A person may file
- 10 in the filing office an information statement with respect to a
- 11 record filed there if the person is a secured party of record
- 12 with respect to the financing statement to which the record
- 13 relates and believes that the person that filed the record was
- 14 not entitled to do so under section 554.9509, subsection 4.
- 15 4. Contents of statement under subsection 3. An information
- 16 statement under subsection 3 must:
- 17 a. identify the record to which it relates by the file
- 18 number assigned to the initial financing statement to which the
- 19 record relates;
- 20 b. indicate that it is an information statement; and
- 21 c. provide the basis for the person's belief that the person
- 22 that filed the record was not entitled to do so under section
- 23 554.9509, subsection 4.
- 24 3. 5. Record not affected by correction information
- 25 statement. The filing of a correction an information statement
- 26 does not affect the effectiveness of an initial financing
- 27 statement or other filed record.
- 28 Sec. 22. Section 554.9607, subsection 2, paragraph b,
- 29 subparagraph (1), Code 2011, is amended to read as follows:
- 30 (1) a default has occurred with respect to the obligation
- 31 secured by the mortgage; and
- 32 Sec. 23. Section 554.9625, subsection 3, Code 2011, is
- 33 amended to read as follows:
- 3. Persons entitled to recover damages statutory
- 35 damages in consumer-goods transaction if collateral is consumer

- 1 goods. Except as otherwise provided in section 554.9628:
- 2 a. a person that, at the time of the failure, was a debtor,
- 3 was an obligor, or held a security interest in or other lien
- 4 on the collateral may recover damages under subsection 2 for
- 5 its loss; and
- 6 b. if the collateral is consumer goods, a person that was
- 7 a debtor or a secondary obligor at the time a secured party
- 8 failed to comply with this part may recover for that failure
- 9 in any event an amount not less than the credit service charge
- 10 plus ten percent of the principal amount of the obligation or
- 11 the time-price differential plus ten percent of the cash price.
- 12 Sec. 24. NEW SECTION. 554.9801 Effective date. The
- 13 amendments to this Article, as enacted in this Act, take effect
- 14 on July 1, 2013.
- 15 Sec. 25. NEW SECTION. 554.9802 Savings clause.
- 16 1. Pre-effective-date transactions or liens. Except
- 17 as otherwise provided in this part, this Act applies to a
- 18 transaction or lien within its scope, even if the transaction
- 19 or lien was entered into or created before July 1, 2013.
- 20 2. Pre-effective date proceedings. This Act does not affect
- 21 an action, case, or proceeding commenced before July 1, 2013.
- 22 Sec. 26. NEW SECTION. 554.9803 Security interest perfected
- 23 before effective date.
- 24 1. Continuing perfection: perfection requirements
- 25 satisfied. A security interest that is a perfected security
- 26 interest immediately before July 1, 2013, is a perfected
- 27 security interest under this Article, as amended by this Act,
- 28 if on July 1, 2013, the applicable requirements for attachment
- 29 and perfection under this Article, as amended by this Act, are
- 30 satisfied without further action.
- 31 2. Continuing perfection: perfection requirements not
- 32 satisfied. Except as otherwise provided in section 554.9805,
- 33 if immediately before July 1, 2013, a security interest is a
- 34 perfected security interest, but the applicable requirements
- 35 for perfection under this Article, as amended by this Act, are

- 1 not satisfied on July 1, 2013, the security interest remains
- 2 perfected thereafter only if the applicable requirements for
- 3 perfection under this Article, as amended by this Act, are
- 4 satisfied within one year after July 1, 2013.
- 5 Sec. 27. NEW SECTION. 554.9804 Security interest
- 6 unperfected before effective date.
- 7 A security interest that is an unperfected security interest
- 8 immediately before July 1, 2013, becomes a perfected security
- 9 interest:
- 10 1. without further action, on July 1, 2013, if the
- 11 applicable requirements for perfection under this Article, as
- 12 amended by this Act, are satisfied before or on July 1, 2013;
- 13 or
- 2. when the applicable requirements for perfection are
- 15 satisfied if the requirements are satisfied after July 1, 2013.
- 16 Sec. 28. NEW SECTION. 554.9805 Effectiveness of action
- 17 taken before effective date.
- 18 1. Pre-effective-date filing effective. The filing of
- 19 a financing statement before July 1, 2013, is effective to
- 20 perfect a security interest to the extent the filing would
- 21 satisfy the applicable requirements for perfection under this
- 22 Article, as amended by this Act.
- 23 2. When pre-effective-date filing becomes ineffective. This
- 24 Act does not render ineffective an effective financing
- 25 statement that, before July 1, 2013, is filed and satisfies
- 26 the applicable requirements for perfection under the law of
- 27 the jurisdiction governing perfection as provided in this
- 28 Article, as it existed before July 1, 2013. However, except as
- 29 otherwise provided in subsections 3 and 4 and section 554.9806,
- 30 the financing statement ceases to be effective:
- 31 a. if the financing statement is filed in this state, at the
- 32 time the financing statement would have ceased to be effective
- 33 had this Act not taken effect; or
- 34 b. if the financing statement is filed in another
- 35 jurisdiction, at the earlier of:

- 1 (1) the time the financing statement would have ceased to be 2 effective under the law of that jurisdiction; or
- 3 (2) June 30, 2018.
- 4 3. Continuation statement. The filing of a continuation
- 5 statement on or after July 1, 2013, does not continue the
- 6 effectiveness of a financing statement filed before July 1,
- 7 2013. However, upon the timely filing of a continuation
- 8 statement on or after July 1, 2013, and in accordance with
- 9 the law of the jurisdiction governing perfection as provided
- 10 in this Article, as amended by this Act, the effectiveness
- ll of a financing statement filed in the same office in that
- 12 jurisdiction before July 1, 2013, continues for the period
- 13 provided by the law of that jurisdiction.
- 14 4. Application of subsection 2, paragraph "b", subparagraph
- 15 (2) to transmitting utility financing statement. Subsection
- 16 2, paragraph "b", subparagraph (2) applies to a financing
- 17 statement that, before July 1, 2013, is filed against a
- 18 transmitting utility and satisfies the applicable requirements
- 19 for perfection under the law of the jurisdiction governing
- 20 perfection as provided in this Article, as it existed before
- 21 July 1, 2013, only to the extent that this Article, as amended
- 22 by this Act, provides that the law of a jurisdiction other than
- 23 the jurisdiction in which the financing statement is filed
- 24 governs perfection of a security interest in collateral covered
- 25 by the financing statement.
- 26 5. Application of Part 5. A financing statement that
- 27 includes a financing statement filed before July 1, 2013,
- 28 and a continuation statement filed on or after July 1,
- 29 2013, is effective only to the extent that the financing
- 30 statement satisfies the requirements of Part 5, as amended by
- 31 this Act, for an initial financing statement. A financing
- 32 statement that indicates that the debtor is a decedent's
- 33 estate indicates that the collateral is being administered
- 34 by a personal representative within the meaning of section
- 35 554.9503, subsection 1, paragraph "b", as amended by this Act.

- 1 A financing statement that indicates that the debtor is a trust
- 2 or is a trustee acting with respect to property held in trust
- 3 indicates that the collateral is held in a trust within the
- 4 meaning of section 554.9503, subsection 1, paragraph "c", as
- 5 amended by this Act.
- 6 Sec. 29. NEW SECTION. 554.9806 When initial financing
- 7 statement suffices to continue effectiveness of financing
- 8 statement.
- 9 1. Initial financing statement in lieu of continuation
- 10 statement. The filing of an initial financing statement
- 11 in the office specified in section 554.9501 continues the
- 12 effectiveness of a financing statement filed before July 1,
- 13 2013, if:
- 14 a. the filing of an initial financing statement in that
- 15 office would be effective to perfect a security interest under
- 16 this Article, as amended by this Act;
- 17 b. the pre-effective-date financing statement was filed in
- 18 an office in another state; and
- 19 c. the initial financing statement satisfies subsection 3.
- 20 2. Period of continued effectiveness. The filing of an
- 21 initial financing statement under subsection 1 continues the
- 22 effectiveness of the pre-effective-date financing statement:
- 23 a. if the initial financing statement is filed before
- 24 July 1, 2013, for the period provided in section 554.9515, as
- 25 it existed before July 1, 2013, with respect to an initial
- 26 financing statement; and
- 27 b. if the initial financing statement is filed on or after
- 28 July 1, 2013, for the period provided in section 554.9515,
- 29 as amended by this Act, with respect to an initial financing
- 30 statement.
- 31 3. Requirements for initial financing statement under
- 32 subsection 1. To be effective for purposes of subsection 1, an
- 33 initial financing statement must:
- 34 a. satisfy the requirements of Part 5, as amended by this
- 35 Act, for an initial financing statement;

- 1 b. identify the pre-effective-date financing statement by
- 2 indicating the office in which the financing statement was
- 3 filed and providing the dates of filing and file numbers,
- 4 if any, of the financing statement and of the most recent
- 5 continuation statement filed with respect to the financing
- 6 statement; and
- 7 c. indicate that the pre-effective-date financing statement
- 8 remains effective.
- 9 Sec. 30. NEW SECTION. 554.9807 Amendment of
- 10 pre-effective-date financing statement.
- 11 1. "Pre-effective-date financing statement". In this
- 12 section, "pre-effective-date financing statement" means a
- 13 financing statement filed before July 1, 2013.
- 2. Applicable law. On or after July 1, 2013, a person may
- 15 add or delete collateral covered by, continue or terminate the
- 16 effectiveness of, or otherwise amend the information provided
- 17 in, a pre-effective-date financing statement only in accordance
- 18 with the law of the jurisdiction governing perfection as
- 19 provided in this Article, as amended by this Act. However,
- 20 the effectiveness of a pre-effective-date financing statement
- 21 also may be terminated in accordance with the law of the
- 22 jurisdiction in which the financing statement is filed.
- 23 3. Method of amending: general rule. Except as otherwise
- 24 provided in subsection 4, if the law of this state governs
- 25 perfection of a security interest, the information in a
- 26 pre-effective-date financing statement may be amended on or
- 27 after July 1, 2013, only if:
- 28 a. the pre-effective-date financing statement and an
- 29 amendment are filed in the office specified in section
- 30 554.9501;
- 31 b. an amendment is filed in the office specified in section
- 32 554.9501 concurrently with, or after the filing in that office
- 33 of, an initial financing statement that satisfies section
- 34 554.9806, subsection 3; or
- 35 c. an initial financing statement that provides the

- 1 information as amended and satisfies section 554.9806,
- 2 subsection 3, is filed in the office specified in section
- 3 554.9501.
- 4. Method of amending: continuation. If the law of
- 5 this state governs perfection of a security interest, the
- 6 effectiveness of a pre-effective-date financing statement may
- 7 be continued only under section 554.9805, subsections 3 and 5,
- 8 or section 554.9806.
- 9 5. Method of amending: additional termination rule. Whether
- 10 or not the law of this state governs perfection of a security
- 11 interest, the effectiveness of a pre-effective-date financing
- 12 statement filed in this state may be terminated on or after
- 13 July 1, 2013, by filing a termination statement in the office
- 14 in which the pre-effective-date financing statement is filed,
- 15 unless an initial financing statement that satisfies section
- 16 554.9806, subsection 3, has been filed in the office specified
- 17 by the law of the jurisdiction governing perfection as provided
- 18 in this Article, as amended by this Act, as the office in which
- 19 to file a financing statement.
- 20 Sec. 31. NEW SECTION. 554.9808 Person entitled to file
- 21 initial financing statement or continuation statement.
- 22 A person may file an initial financing statement or a
- 23 continuation statement under this part if:
- 24 l. the secured party of record authorizes the filing; and
- 25 2. the filing is necessary under this part:
- 26 a. to continue the effectiveness of a financing statement
- 27 filed before July 1, 2013; or
- 28 b. to perfect or continue the perfection of a security
- 29 interest.
- 30 Sec. 32. NEW SECTION. 554.9809 Priority.
- 31 This Act determines the priority of conflicting claims to
- 32 collateral. However, if the relative priorities of the claims
- 33 were established before July 1, 2013, this Article, as it
- 34 existed before July 1, 2013, determines priority.
- 35 Sec. 33. CODE EDITOR DIRECTIVE. Section 554.9316, Code

- 1 2011, is amended by striking from the headnote the words
- 2 "Continued perfection of security interest following change in
- 3 governing law." and inserting in lieu thereof the words "Effect
- 4 of change in governing law."
- 5 Sec. 34. REPEAL. Sections 554.9701 through 554.9710, Code
- 6 2011, are repealed.
- 7 Sec. 35. REPEAL. Sections 554.9801 through 554.9809 are
- 8 repealed effective July 1, 2019.
- 9 Sec. 36. GENERAL SAVINGS PROVISION. The repeals of sections
- 10 554.9701 through 554.9710, and sections 554.9801 through
- 11 554.9809 in this Act are subject to the application of section
- 12 4.13, relating to general savings provisions.
- 13 Sec. 37. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect July 1,
- 14 2013.
- 15 EXPLANATION
- 16 BACKGROUND. This bill makes changes in Article 9 of
- 17 the Uniform Commercial Code (UCC). Generally, Article 9
- 18 regulates transactions involving the collateralization of
- 19 debt in personal property and provides rights to competing
- 20 creditors. It allows a creditor to take a lien (a security
- 21 interest) in the collateral with the possibility of enforcing
- 22 the lien if the debtor defaults upon a contractual obligation.
- 23 The Article includes detailed requirements relating to the
- 24 creation and perfection of the creditor's security interest in
- 25 the collateral, and the right to acquire priority over other
- 26 creditors (e.g., by filing a financing statement with the
- 27 secretary of state, possessing or controlling the property, or
- 28 acquiring some form of automatic attachment), and for taking
- 29 legal action to satisfy the debt by acquiring the collateral or
- 30 rights to property associated with the contract.
- 31 BACKGROUND MODEL ACT. Iowa's version of the UCC is
- 32 codified in Code chapter 554 based on a model Act drafted and
- 33 recommended, in association with the American law institute, by
- 34 the national conference of commissioners on uniform state laws
- 35 (NCCUSL), also known as the uniform law commission (ULC), which

- 1 includes Iowa members appointed by the governor (Code chapter
- 2 5). In 2000, the general assembly substantially amended
- 3 Article 9 in conformance with the NCCUSL's 1998 recommended
- 4 revisions (2000 Iowa Acts, ch. 1149). This bill provides for
- 5 further revisions to the revised Article 9 again as recommended
- 6 by the NCCUSL.
- 7 GENERAL PROVISIONS DEFINITIONS (CODE SECTION 554.9102).
- 8 The bill changes definitional provisions, including terms
- 9 related to records produced or stored in an electronic format
- 10 including the authentication of records and certificates of
- ll title.
- 12 DEFINITIONS AUTHENTICATION. The bill amends the
- 13 definition of "authenticate" to include attaching or logically
- 14 associating an electronic sound, symbol, or process with a
- 15 record.
- 16 DEFINITIONS CERTIFICATE OF TITLE. The law defines
- 17 "record" as information inscribed on a tangible medium or
- 18 stored in an electronic or other medium that can be retrieved
- 19 in a perceivable form. The bill amends the definition of
- 20 "certificate of title" to include a record maintained as an
- 21 alternative to a certificate of title by the issuing government
- 22 unit.
- 23 DEFINITIONS PUBLIC ORGANIC RECORD. The bill creates a
- 24 new definition for a "public organic record" to mean one of
- 25 three items: (1) a record available for public inspection that
- 26 is initially filed with or issued by a state or the federal
- 27 government to form an organization; (2) an organic record of
- 28 a business trust initially filed with a state or which amends
- 29 that record; or (3) a record consisting of federal or state
- 30 legislation that forms an organization.
- 31 DEFINITIONS REGISTERED ORGANIZATION. Under current law,
- 32 a "registered organization" is formed solely under state or
- 33 federal law for which the state or federal government must
- 34 maintain a public record. The bill provides that a registered
- 35 organization is formed in one of three ways: (1) by filing

1 a public organic record under state or federal law, (2) the 2 issuance of a public organic record by a state or the federal 3 government, or (3) pursuant to state or federal legislation. 4 The bill specifies that this expressly includes a business 5 trust (e.g., a so-called Massachusetts business trust) formed 6 under a state law that requires public organic records to be 7 filed with the state (e.g., secretary of state). ELECTRONIC CHATTEL PAPER (CODE SECTION 554.9105). A 9 chattel paper transaction involves a written agreement in 10 which a seller or lessor transfers possession and control of ll property to another while retaining a security interest or 12 lease interest in the property. The writing evidencing the 13 debt constitutes chattel paper. Under current law, a security 14 interest is perfected by control of the paper, and the UCC 15 sets forth a six-factor test to determine if a secured party 16 has control of electronic chattel paper. The bill retains the 17 six-factor test but allows a secured party to establish control 18 by using a system that reliably establishes the secured party 19 as the person to whom the chattel paper was assigned. 20 PERFECTION AND PRIORITY - LOCATION OF A DEBTOR (CODE 21 SECTION 554.9307). This provision applies to either a 22 registered organization formed under the laws of the United 23 States or a branch or agency of a bank that is not organized 24 under the law of the United States or a state. A registered 25 organization can designate its state of location in a manner 26 described in federal law. The bill provides that when 27 referenced in federal law, a registered organization's "main 28 office" or "home office" means the organization's location (for 29 purposes of filing a financing statement). PERFECTION AND PRIORITY - PERFECTION OF SECURITY INTEREST 30 31 IN PROPERTY (CODE SECTION 554.9311). The bill makes changes to 32 conform with the bill's revised definition of "certificate of 33 title" (See Code section 554.9101 as amended in the bill). 34 PERFECTION AND PRIORITY - EFFECT OF CHANGE IN GOVERNING 35 LAW (CODE SECTION 554.9316). The bill provides protection

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1 for a secured party whose security interest in after-acquired
 2 property would become unperfected if the debtor relocated to
 3 another jurisdiction (e.g., state). Under current law, by
 4 comparison, a security interest that attached to collateral
 5 prior to a debtor's move to another jurisdiction remains
 6 perfected for four months after the move.
                                              The four-month
 7 grace period is limited to collateral in which the security
 8 party's interest was perfected at the time that the debtor's
 9 location changed. The bill adds the same grace period for
10 the after-acquired property. It provides that the security
11 interest attaches within the four-month period if the secured
12 party does whatever would have been necessary to perfect the
13 security interest in the original jurisdiction.
                                                    The collateral
14 remains perfected for the four-month period. The secured party
15 may continue perfection beyond the four-month period by filing
16 a financing statement or otherwise perfecting under the law
17 of the new jurisdiction. Similarly, the rule applies to a
18 security interest in after-acquired property if a new debtor
19 becomes bound by the original debtor's security agreement and
20 the new debtor is located in a different jurisdiction from the
21 jurisdiction in which the original debtor was located.
      PERFECTION AND PRIORITY - INTERESTS THAT TAKE PRIORITY OVER
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23 OR TAKE FREE OF SECURITY INTERESTS (CODE SECTION 554.9317).
24 Currently, a licensee of general intangible property or a buyer
25 (other than a secured party) takes free of a security interest
26 if the licensee or buyer gives value without knowledge of a
27 security interest before the security interest is perfected.
28 The bill strikes the list of types of property subject to this
29 exclusion (accounts, electronic chattel paper, electronic
30 documents, general intangibles, or investment property other
31 than a certificated security) and provides that the licensee
32 or buyer takes free of an unperfected security in collateral
33 other than tangible chattel paper, tangible documents, goods,
34 instruments, or a certificated security.
      PERFECTION AND PRIORITY - PRIORITY OF SECURITY INTERESTS
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- 1 CREATED BY A NEW DEBTOR (CODE SECTION 554.9326). The current 2 law provides for contests involving priority that may arise
- 3 when a new debtor becomes bound by a security agreement of an
- 4 original debtor and each debtor has a secured creditor. The
- 5 bill makes changes to correspond to a change made in the bill
- 6 to Code section 554.9316. It provides for the subordinate
- 7 position of a secured party who has a security interest in the
- 8 original debtor's collateral and who has filed a financing
- 9 statement against the new debtor in a different jurisdiction,
- 10 but the financing statement would not otherwise be sufficient
- 11 to obtain priority.
- 12 RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES PAYMENT INTANGIBLES AND
- 13 PROMISSORY NOTES (CODE SECTIONS 554.9406 AND 554.9408). Two
- 14 similar provisions are affected. Both relate to a term
- 15 restricting an assignment in an agreement between an account
- 16 debtor and an assignor or in a promissory note.
- 17 RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES GENERAL PROVISION (CODE
- 18 SECTION 554.9406). The first section applies generally to
- 19 accounts, chattel paper, payment intangibles, and promissory
- 20 notes, by making such a term ineffective (Code section
- 21 554.9406). However, an exception applies to the sale of a
- 22 payment intangible or promissory note. Under the bill, this
- 23 exception does not apply when the sale is under a disposition
- 24 of collateral after default (Code section 554.9610) or on
- 25 acceptance of collateral in full or partial satisfaction of
- 26 obligation (Code section 554.9620).
- 27 RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES SPECIFIC PROVISION (CODE SECTION
- 28 554.9408). The second section applies to restrict but not
- 29 prohibit the assignment of a general intangible, health care
- 30 insurance receivable, or promissory note. Under current law,
- 31 a qualifying restriction applies to a security interest in a
- 32 payment intangible or promissory note only if the security
- 33 interest arises out of a sale of the payment intangible or
- 34 promissory note. The bill amends this qualification, again
- 35 to provide that it does not apply to a security interest that

- 1 arises out of a sale under a disposition of collateral after
- 2 default or on acceptance of collateral in full or partial
- 3 satisfaction of obligation.
- 4 FILING NAME OF DEBTOR AND SECURED PARTY (CODE SECTIONS
- 5 554.9502, 554.9503, AND 554.9507). The current law provides
- 6 when a financing statement sufficiently provides the correct
- 7 name of a debtor. The bill provides that for a registered
- 8 organization, the name of the debtor is sufficient if it
- 9 matches the name on the public organic record most recently
- 10 filed in the jurisdiction of organization. In addition,
- 11 the bill adopts the so-called model Act's "Alternative A",
- 12 sometimes known as the "only-if" rule which requires the
- 13 financing statement to include the name of the debtor as it
- 14 appears on the debtor's unexpired driver's license. In lieu of
- 15 the driver's license information, a variation of the current
- 16 rule applies. Specifically, the financing statement must use
- 17 the debtor's legal name or debtor's surname and first personal
- 18 name.
- 19 FILING DURATION AND EFFECTIVENESS OF A FINANCING
- 20 STATEMENT FOR TRANSMITTING UTILITIES (CODE SECTION 554.9515).
- 21 Under current law, a financing statement listing a transmitting
- 22 utility as a debtor does not lapse but continues until the
- 23 secured party files a termination statement. The bill requires
- 24 that the designation of a debtor as a transmitting utility must
- 25 be made on the initial financing statement.
- 26 FILING WHAT CONSTITUTES FILING EFFECTIVENESS OF FILING
- 27 (CODE SECTION 554.9516). The bill eliminates a requirement
- 28 that certain information about a debtor that is an organization
- 29 must be stated on a financing statement. The secretary
- 30 of state is not required to reject a financing statement
- 31 because it fails to list type of organization, jurisdiction of
- 32 organization, and organizational identification number.
- FILING CLAIM CONCERNING INACCURATE OR WRONGFULLY FILED
- 34 RECORD (CODE SECTION 554.9518). Currently, a person may file
- 35 a statement correcting an incorrect statement on record (a

- 1 so-called UCC-5 Correction Statement) without legal effect.
- 2 The bill renames this document as an "information statement"
- 3 and provides that a secured party may also file such statement.
- 4 It adopts the model Act's 1998 Alternative A version, by
- 5 eliminating a provision in current law that requires the
- 6 statement to include the date and time that the initial
- 7 financing statement was filed or recorded.
- 8 FILING COLLECTION AND ENFORCEMENT OF A MORTGAGE INTEREST
- 9 OUTSIDE FORECLOSURE (CODE SECTION 554.9607). Under current
- 10 law, a secured party may enforce a mortgage (e.g., securing
- 11 a promissory note) pursuant to a nonjudicial proceeding
- 12 (foreclosure sale) in part by recording the security agreement
- 13 and affidavit in the place where the mortgage is recorded. The
- 14 affidavit must include a provision verifying that a default
- 15 has occurred. The bill provides that the affidavit must
- 16 verify that the default involved an obligation secured by the
- 17 mortgage.
- 18 TRANSITION PROVISIONS GENERAL. The bill provides for the
- 19 scope and application of its provisions, including by referring
- 20 to its effective date (Code section 554.9801) and including a
- 21 general savings clause (Code section 554.9802). Generally,
- 22 the transition provisions detail the requirements of secured
- 23 parties that acquired or perfected a security interest prior
- 24 to the bill's effective date (pre-effective-date) including by
- 25 filing a pre-effective-date financing statement in this state
- 26 or another jurisdiction (state) and specifying the necessary
- 27 requirements to comply with the bill's provisions on and after
- 28 its effective date.
- 29 TRANSITION PROVISIONS SECURITY INTERESTS. The bill
- 30 provides that a pre-effective-date security interest remains
- 31 effective on and after the bill's effective date, unless it
- 32 fails to satisfy the bill's requirements with a one-year grace
- 33 period provided (Code section 554.9803). A pre-effective-date
- 34 unperfected security interest will become perfected upon
- 35 the effective date if it satisfies the bill's perfection

1 requirements. Otherwise, it will remain unperfected until the 2 bill's perfection requirements are satisfied (Code section 3 554.9804). TRANSITION PROVISION — EFFECTIVENESS OF FINANCING 5 AND CONTINUATION STATEMENTS. The bill provides that a 6 pre-effective-date financing statement continues in effect 7 as long as it satisfies the bill's requirements and other 8 provisions applicable to such financing statements. 9 also provides that a financing statement filed in another 10 jurisdiction may remain effective for as long as it would 11 remain effective in the other jurisdiction or June 30, 2018 12 whichever is earlier (Code section 554.9805). 13 provides that the filing of an initial financing statement may 14 continue the effectiveness of a pre-effective-date financing 15 statement rather than a continuation statement that would 16 otherwise be filed (Code section 554.9806). Generally, a 17 financing statement is effective for five years or until it 18 lapses (Code section 554.9515). The bill provides for the 19 amendment or termination of a pre-effective-date financing 20 statement (Code section 554.9807). A person may file an 21 initial financing statement or a continuation statement to 22 the extent authorized by the secured party and the filing is 23 necessary to comply with the bill's transition provisions 24 (Code section 554.9808). The bill expressly states that its 25 provisions govern relative priorities of conflicting claims, 26 except to the extent that the priorities were established 27 before the bill's effective date. 28 The bill expressly amends a section's HEADNOTE CHANGE. 29 headnote to comply with codification requirements provided in 30 Code section 3.3. REPEAL OF TRANSITION PROVISION. The bill repeals existing 31 32 transition provisions enacted in 2000 Iowa Acts, chapter 1149,

33 and transition provisions included in the bill. The repeal of 34 the bill's new transition provisions takes effect July 1, 2019, 35 when such provisions will be out of date. The bill includes a

- 1 general savings clause.
- 2 EFFECTIVE DATE. The bill takes effect July 1, 2013, in the
- 3 same manner as other states which have adopted the model act.